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Dear Ms. Doumanian:

SUBJECT: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST DON-NAVY-2022-004176

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request in which you seek the position description for the "Police Officer (Instructor) 0083" position applicable for the years 2012 through the present date. Your request was received by the Department of the Navy on February 3, 2022 and was forwarded to this command on February 10, 2022. Your request was assigned file number DON-NAVY-2022-004176.

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552. Nine (9) pages of responsive documents were identified and are enclosed to this letter. This is a partial release. I withheld certain pieces of personal information such as names and signatures under exemption (b)(6) of the FOIA.

Exemption (b)(6) allows an agency to withhold "personnel and medical files and similar files" if disclosure would constitute a "clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy." 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6). The phrase "similar files" covers any agency records containing information about a particular individual that can be identified as applying to that individual. *See United States Dep't of State v. Washington Post Co.*, 456 U.S. 595 (1982). To determine whether releasing records containing information about a particular individual would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, I am required to balance the privacy interest that would be affected by disclosure against any public interest in the information. *See United States Dep't of Justice v. Reporters Comm. for Freedom of Press*, 489 U.S. 749 (1989). I identified privacy interests in the responsive records in this case and, after balancing those privacy interests with public interests, I have determined that it is necessary to withhold certain information under exemption (b)(6).

Our search for records included files maintained by Naval District Washington.

There are no assessable fees for this request.

As your request is partially denied, you are advised of your right to appeal this determination by submitting an appeal to the Office of the Judge Advocate General (Code 14) using FOIA

online at <https://foiaonline.gov> (the preferred method), or in writing to: Office of the Judge Advocate General (Code 14), 1322 Patterson Ave, SE, Ste 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066. Your appeal must be postmarked within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. As the requester, you have the burden of proving timely submission of any appeal. A copy of your initial request and this letter should accompany the appeal. In order to expedite the appellate process and ensure full consideration of your appeal, your appeal should contain a brief statement of the reasons you believe this decision to be in error.

For this determination, you have the right to seek dispute resolution services from the Department of the Navy FOIA/PA Public Liaison, Mr. Christopher Julka, at [christopher.a.julka@navy.mil](mailto:christopher.a.julka@navy.mil) or (703) 697-0031. You may also seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), the Federal FOIA/PA Ombudsman's office, at (202) 741-5770 or [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov).

If you have any questions regarding the processing of your request, you may contact the Naval District Washington FOIA/PA liaison at [CNI.NDWFOIA@navy.mil](mailto:CNI.NDWFOIA@navy.mil).

Sincerely,



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Judge Advocate General's Corps  
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